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Press Release

January 1 Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 920,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on January 1, 2005, up 4 percent from December 1, 2004, but down 3 percent from January 1, 2004. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 450,000 head on feed, up 3 percent from last month and up 22 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 470,000 head on feed, up 4 percent, but down 19 percent from last month and last year, respectively.

Placements during December totaled 151,000 head, down 23 percent from last month, but up 18 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 71,000 head, a decrease of 21 percent from last month, but up 42 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 80,000 head, down 24 percent from last month, but up 3 percent from last year.

Marketings for December were 110,000 head, down 28 percent from last month, but up 18 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 55,000 head, down 33 percent from last month, but up 15 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 55,000 head, down 21 percent from last month, but up 22 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head.

United States: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on January 1, 2005. The inventory was slightly above January 1, 2004 and 6 percent above January 1, 2003. The inventory included 7.19 million steers and steer calves, up 5 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 64 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.05 million head, down 7 percent from January 1, 2004.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.83 million, 5 percent above 2003 and 14 percent above 2002. This is the highest placements for the month of December since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.74 million. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 465,000; 600-699 pounds were 558,000; 700-799 pounds were 489,000; and 800 pounds and greater were 322,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.78 million, 2 percent above 2003, but 1 percent below 2002.

Other disappearance totaled 92,000 during December, 2 percent above 2003, but 7 percent below 2002.

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, December 1, 2004	435	450	885
December Placements	71	80	151
December Marketings	55	55	110
December Other Disappearance	1	5	6
Cattle on Feed, January 1, 2005	450	470	920

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ¹**

State	Cattle on Feed January 1			Placements during December			Marketings during December			December Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2003	2004	'04 as % of '03	2003	2004	'04 as % of '03	2003	2004	'04 as % of '03
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	293	331	113	32	33	103	22	30	136	1	1	100
CA	510	535	105	70	72	103	55	62	113	5	5	100
CO	1,040	1,080	104	180	135	75	190	145	76	10	10	100
ID	300	295	98	53	55	104	60	62	103	3	3	100
IA	370	450	122	50	71	142	48	55	115	2	1	50
KS	2,430	2,410	99	410	490	120	435	450	103	25	20	80
NE	2,280	2,300	101	350	390	111	340	380	112	10	10	100
NM	115	126	110	14	14	100	17	15	88	3	2	67
OK	355	350	99	53	53	100	45	52	116	3	6	200
SD	200	192	96	31	42	135	30	34	113	1	2	200
TX	2,830	2,700	95	420	405	96	410	420	102	20	25	125
WA	200	190	95	30	39	130	38	32	84	2	2	100
Oth Sts	330	350	106	55	35	64	50	40	80	5	5	100
US	11,253	11,309	100	1,748	1,834	105	1,740	1,777	102	90	92	102

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Class, 1000+ Capacity Feedlots
by Quarter, State, and United States, 2004-2005**

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves			Cows & Bulls		
	January 1, 2004	October 1, 2004	January 1, 2005	January 1, 2004	October 1, 2004	January 1, 2005	January 1, 2004	October 1, 2004	January 1, 2005
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AZ	289	296	323	4	2	7	0	0	1
CA	470	485	495	40	35	40	0	0	0
CO	625	605	665	410	410	410	5	5	5
ID	191	170	184	108	104	111	1	1	0
IA	250	240	305	119	134	144	1	1	1
KS	1,270	1,180	1,310	1,150	1,020	1,080	10	20	20
NE	1,310	1,110	1,390	940	820	890	30	10	20
NM	50	78	80	65	58	46	0	0	0
OK	200	220	225	155	118	125	0	2	0
SD	110	71	98	74	60	74	16	12	20
TX	1,720	1,710	1,750	1,107	1,056	947	3	4	3
WA	125	105	110	73	68	79	2	2	1
Oth Sts	235	195	250	85	87	93	10	3	7
US	6,845	6,465	7,185	4,330	3,972	4,046	78	60	78